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Sir:

This is a response to the Restriction Requirement of August 1, 2003. Applicant elects without traverse to prosecute Group I comprising claims 1-9, 12-16, and 18-32 drawn to a container.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this application is requested. If the Examiner notes any minor errors, he is invited to telephone the undersigned so that the matter can be promptly handled by Examiner's amendment.

Respectfully submitted,

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